



UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
P.O. Box 1450
ALEXANDRIA, VA 22313-1450
www.uspto.gov

MAR 16 2004

Kening Li, Ph.D.
COWELL & MORNING, LLP
Intellectual Property Group
P.O. Box 1300
Washington, DC 20044-2500

In re Application of :
SHUWEI YANG :
Serial No. 10/627,711 : DECISION ON PETITION
Filing Date: July 28, 2003 :
Attorney Docket No.: 51236US :

This is in response to applicant's "Petition to Make Special Under 37 CFR 1.102" filed February 3, 2004.

Applicant has already established the small entity status for the instant application. Applicant's statement for requesting special status has been considered. The requirements under 37 CFR 1.102 and MPEP 708.02, XII have been met. Accordingly, the petition is granted. Prosecution will proceed according to the procedure set forth in MPEP 708.02; there is no provision for "withdrawal from this special status.

Petition Granted.

Bruce Kisliuk
Bruce Kisliuk
Director, TC1600